ABSTRACT

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The information providing system receives contents and a contents code corresponding to the contents by utilizing the broadcasting waves transmitted from a broadcasting station or the Internet, for example, and stores them. The contents may be information of newspaper article or else, and the contents code may be a code uniquely assigned to the contents. On the other hand, a paper-type display medium on which a similar contents code is recorded in advance is provided to a user by selling it or free distribution. When the user sets the paper-type display medium on the broadcasting receiver in a household, the code reading unit reads the contents code recorded on the paper-type display medium. Then, the receiver obtains the contents corresponding to the read contents code and displays it on the paper-type display medium.